

1 **IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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3 Serial No. : )  
4 Filed : Concurrently herewith )  
5 For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
6 SURFACING INNER WALL OF SWIMMING )  
7 POOL )

8 **DECLARATION VERIFYING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**  
9 **UNDER 27 C.F.R. 1.9(f) AND 1.27(b)**

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11 Washington, D.C. 20231

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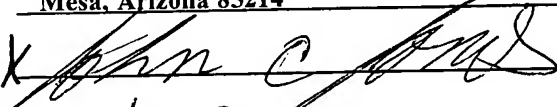
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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SURFACING INNER WALL OF SWIMMING POOL the specification of which:

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3 United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112,  
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